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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 41.50(b)(1) IN RESPONSE TO NEW GROUND OF REJECTION BY THE BOARD

Dear Sir:

A Notice of Appeal had been earlier filed, accompanying a Request for Pre-Appeal Brief Review, on August 17, 2007, in which the panel indicated that the Applicant proceed to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences ("BPAI"). An Appeal Brief was subsequently filed November 2, 2007. The BPAI issued its Decision on Appeal on June 1, 2010, providing reversal of the rejection under Section 103, and a new ground of rejection to the pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.S. § 41.50(b). Based upon the tendering of a new ground of rejection, Appellant must either reopen prosecution or request rehearing within two months of the date of decision. (BPAI Decision at p. 6); see 37 CFR § 41.50(b)(1); MPEP § 1214.01 (Rev. 3, August 2005).

Applicant respectfully requests that the prosecution of the instant application be reopened, and also respectfully submits that the accompanying amendment is "appropriate" under Rule 41.50(b)(1) as it amends one or more of the claims rejected.